## MINUTES OF THE FORT HOOD RETIREE COUNCIL MEETING

1. The 9 October 2008 meeting of the Fort Hood Retiree Council convened at 11:30 hours at the Phantom Warrior Center, 761st & 37th Street, Fort Hood Texas:

2. Membership Attendance:

a. Members Present:

LTG (Ret) Palmer, Chairman

MG (Ret) Meyer, Assoc. Member

COL (Ret) Portmann, Member

LTC (Ret) Woodward, Member

CSM (Ret) Kitterman, Member

1SG (Ret) Fisher, Member

Mrs. Greathouse, (Widow) Member

CSM (Ret) Minosky, Co-Chairman

COL (Ret) Somera, Member

COL (Ret) Oliver Jr., Assoc. Member

CW3 (Ret) Hanger, Member

SGM (Ret) Lopez, Member

SCPO (Ret) Lubasky, Member

SFC (Ret) Evans-Quickley, Member

b. Members Absent:

COL (Ret) Gauer, Member

CSM (Ret) King, Member

MSG (Ret) Wood, Member

3. The Chairman called the meeting to order and welcomed the council members to the meeting. He also welcomed and introduced our guests COL (Ret) Eugene Wentworth (Distinguished Retiree for 2008); Mr. Jack Wade and Ms. Tammy Sanchez (GKCC) and Ms. Sally Wroblewski (CRDAMC).

Topics of discussion for this meeting:

- Ms. Wroblewski, CRDAMC gave an update on the Health Fair Activities for Retiree Appreciation Day. Highlights include:
  - o The flu shot will be available for Retiree Appreciation Day. It will be set up like it was last year.
  - o DTAP will be offered this year as well.
  - o The Shingles vaccine will not be available during Retiree day, however when Fort Hood gets in another batch they will spread the word for retirees to come in to get their shots.
  - o There will be a VA table at the fair and an Ask the Pharmacist booth.
  - o DENTAC will be at the Health Fair and will do Oral Cancer Screenings from 9:00-2:00.
  - o It was stressed that participants do not have to rush right over for the flu shots. There are plenty and they will be calling them in groups like they did last year.
- Ms. Tammy Sanchez, GKCC gave an update on the Retiree Round Up Dinner. It will be at the Fort Hood Catering and Conference Center this year. There have been 134 RSVP's made so far.
  - Social Hour is from 5:00 to 6:00.
  - LTG Rick Lynch will make remarks.
  - There will be a DJ for entertainment.
- SFC (Ret) Beth Waller briefed on the Retiree Appreciation Day scheduled for 24 & 25 Oct. Highlights of her briefing:
  - o The Commissary is doing a Breakfast for Dinner Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 PM at the Clear Creek Commissary. This is free to the retirement community and there are prizes.
  - Numbers are looking good. They are as good if not better than last year.
  - o There will be lots of vendors at the County Fair including DFAS-CL set up with the ID Card Section and Sheila Abar with the Retirement Home.

- o Retreat this year will be at 1600 on Friday Oct. 24th.
- COL (Ret) Jos Portmann briefed on Health Card Advisory Council.
  - o The last meeting was on the 23<sup>rd</sup> of July.
  - o COL Jones gave the overall briefing and there were lots of visitors.
  - o Meetings will be held quarterly now. The next meeting is next week.
  - o The cafeteria is closing except for patients and Fisher House Residents.
  - There will be Vending Machines and Kiosks available for visitors to the hospital.
- LTC (Ret) Woodward briefed on Volunteer Activities and RAD Door Prizes
  - o The AFAP is scheduled for 14-16 Oct 08.
  - Band of Angels is collecting magazines that are not older than six months old on the 20<sup>th</sup> of Oct. from 10:00-12:00 at the Fisher House.
  - o He had flyers available requesting volunteers for the HEB 1st Annual Killeen Feast of Sharing Dinner and the Fort Hood Celebration of Love 2008.
  - o He reminded board members to get any donations that had been collected to him. He will accept donations up until the day of the dinner. He would like some time to organize them prior to the dinner so asks that member please get them to him soon.
- CW3 (Ret) Hanger briefed Commissary highlights:
  - o Clear Creek Commissary is having a Breakfast for Dinner this year for Retiree Appreciation Day on Oct. 24<sup>th</sup> at 8:30 PM. If you plan to attend please RSVP to 254-287-5943 x232 or x200 not later than 1 Oct 2008. You can also email your RSVP to betty.carey@deca.mil or mary.kight1@deca.mil

## 4. Additional Topics:

- SFC (Ret) Waller talked about the 2009 CSA Council Nominee(s). She asked that we start thinking about who we would like to nominate. After the New Year she would like to start working on the nominee's packet.
- January's meeting we will review our structure and committees to ensure we have an accurate reflection of the community we support.

5. The meeting was adjourned at 12:10. The next meeting is tentatively scheduled for Thursday, 8 January 2009, Location Phantom Warrior Center (T).

TG (Ret) DAVE PALMER WOON

Approved/Disapproved

Colonel, GS Chief of Staff